## **CITY OF MONTGOMERY, TEXAS**

## **ORDER 2020-01**

## **DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, beginning in December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has spread through the world and has now been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. In some cases the virus has caused death; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout the City of Montgomery and Montgomery County, and, additionally, potentially requiring individuals, groups of individuals, or property to undergo additional measures that prevent or control the spread of disease; and

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY, TEXAS:

- 1. That a local state of disaster for public health emergency is hereby declared for the City of Montgomery, Texas, pursuant to section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. Pursuant to section 418.108(b) of the Government Code, the state of disaster for public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless extended by the City Council of the City of Montgomery, Texas.
- 3. Pursuant to section 418.108(c) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.
- 4. Pursuant to section 418.108(d) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Montgomery Emergency Management Plan.
- 5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

DECLARED this 19th day of March 2020.

Sara Countryman, Mayor

city of Montgomery, Texas

ATTEST:

Susan Hensley, City Secretary

Filed for Record on this the 19th day of March 2020.